



Carolyn Ann Larance

October 15, 1946 - January 6, 2026

Carolyn Ann Reynolds Willard Larance, aged 79, peacefully passed from this earth into the gates of heaven on January 6, 2026, at her home in Texas. She was born on October 15, 1946, to Robert Reynolds and Melissa Pike Reynolds.

Growing up in Warren, AR, She was a beautiful blend of tomboy tendencies and princess proper. Driven by a tough and ambitious spirit, she set out to pursue her dreams. She possessed a lovely soprano voice, a passion for singing, and a gift for music that allowed her to play any instrument set before her. She began her career as a band director before following her passion for mathematics. Over 44 years of teaching in Texas and Arkansas—both in the classroom and at home—she touched countless lives.

Mom taught us that family is defined by more than just blood. Her love for Jesus Christ and Faith in Him through a personal relationship, instilled in her that love and understanding of family. Anyone who knew mom was touched by her smile, her honesty, her infectious laugh, and her sincere desire to make others better. She was talented, hardworking, and lived a life full of purpose. As the matriarch of our family, she led with a gentle yet fierce heart.

Mom's devotion to living life and serving others is who God called her to be. She will forever live in our hearts and minds through the lasting imprint she left

on everyone she met.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Robert and Melissa Reynolds; a brother Bobbie Reynolds; the father of her children, John Willard Jr.; her beloved husband, Thomas Larance; her son, Jason Thomas Willard; Granddaughter-in-law, Michelle Rangel and many others she so dearly loved.

She is survived by her children, John Willard (B.J.); Steven Willard; William Ehl and wife Ronna; Laura Lynn West and husband Tim; beloved daughter in law, Holly Willard; Grandchildren, Sissy Willard, Christian Willard, Chasity Willard, Sierra Willard; Thomas Jason Willard, Kolton Willard, Georgia Willard; Braxton and Lexi; Nathaniel Rangel, Juachin Ethan Rangel and wife Mercedes, Seth Rangel and fiance Marissa; and many great grandchildren. One sister, Pamela Reeves; One brother Doug Reynolds and wife Teresa. Beloved nieces, nephews, many extended family members and friends whom she loved so dearly.

Funeral services will be held at Phillips and Luckeys Funeral home in Rockdale Texas on Friday, January 16, 2026. The viewing will begin at 10am with the service to follow at 11am. Ron McCoy officiating, followed by Burial at Black Jack Cemetery.

Pallbearers are Steven Willard, Thomas Willard, William Ehl, Nathaniel Rangel, Juachin Ethan Rangel and Loren Simank.

Cemetery Details

Black Jack Cemetery

County Road 301
Caldwell, TX 77836

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 16. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Phillips & Luckey Funeral Home
1041 US-79
Rockdale, TX 76567-4513
(512) 446-5454

Chapel Service

JAN 16. 11:00 AM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of Carolyn Ann Larance.*



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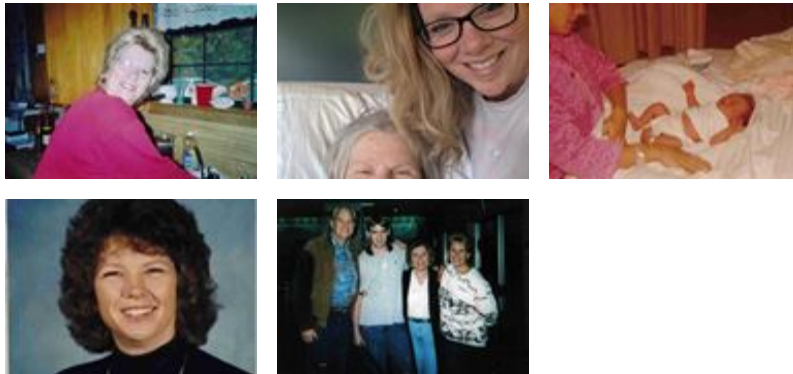


“ *Sheryl (Hammond) Cagle planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carolyn Ann Larance.*

Sheryl (Hammond) Cagle - January 15 at 02:26 PM



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“ Doug Reynolds purchased the Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum for the family of Carolyn Ann Larance.



Doug Reynolds - January 14 at 05:49 PM

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“ Mary F. planted a grove of 3 [Memorial Trees](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Carolyn Ann Larance.

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